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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2020-SCC-0171]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; National Survey of Charter School Facilities

AGENCY: Office of Innovation and Improvement, Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of a currently approved collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2020-SCC-0171. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. If the regulations.gov site is not available to the public for any reason, ED will temporarily accept comments at ICDocketMgr@ed.gov. Please include the docket ID number and the title of the information collection request when requesting documents or submitting comments. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or e-mail and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the PRA Coordinator of the Strategic Collections and

Clearance Governance and Strategy Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Ave, SW, LBJ, Room 6W208D, Washington, D.C. 20202-8240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Nicoisa Jones, (202) 453-6695.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: National Survey of Charter School Facilities

OMB Control Number: 1855-0024

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection

Respondents / Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 700

Abstract: This is a revision to the national survey on charter school facilities that is designed to inform the public of the conditions and operations of buildings used by charter schools. The survey questionnaire includes 45 questions. Depending on the facility status of schools, respondents will follow skip patterns to answer questions that are only relevant to their schools. A pilot test shows that the questionnaire takes approximately 34 minutes to complete. National Charter School Resource Center (NCSRC) will administer in fall 2021 via an online survey platform. Responses to the survey questions will inform the public of the physical conditions of buildings charter schools use as well as resources and challenges for charter schools to access and maintain facilities.

The survey follows a stratified systematic design to draw a sample of 700 charter schools nationwide. NCSRC will coordinate with Charter School Organizations (CSOs) and local entities to recruit schools and maximize the response rate of the survey. NCSRC staff will clean and analyze the survey data using statistical analytic and reporting techniques appropriate to the data collected.

Dated: November 4, 2020.

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Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development.

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